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Petersbourg, December 23.

THE 18th Inſtant being Princeſs Elizabeth's Birth-day, who then entred into the 30th Year of her Age, all the Foreign Miniſters and Perſons of Diſtinction paid their Compliments to her Highneſs in the Morning: At Night there was a Ball and a Supper at Court, to which the Foreign Miniſters were invited.

Florence, Dec. 29. Letters from Vienna which arrived this Morning, dated the 17th Inſtant, give an Account of the Departure from thence of the Great Duke, the Great Dutcheſs, and Prince Charles of Lorrain, on their Journey to this Place. And Letters from Lombardy adviſe, that their Royal Highneſſes arrived near Verona on the 25th Inſtant. The Palace of Count Borri, in the Neighbourhood of that City, was prepared by Order of the Republick for their Royal Highneſſes Reception and Entertainment during their Quarantain: And Sig. Barberigo, a noble Venetian, was appointed by the Republick their Ambaſſadour Extraordinary to compliment their Royal Highneſſes: That Ambaſſadour is accompanied by four other Venetian Noblemen.

Warſaw, Jan. 14. Cardinal Lipski apprehending that the Revenues of the Archbiſhoprick of Gneſna are not ſufficient to maintain the Dignities of Cardinal and Primate at the ſame Time, has choſen to keep the Biſhoprick of Cracow; and having thanked his Poliſh Majeſty for the Favour he was pleaſed to ſhew him, has reſigned the Primacy for his Majeſty to confer it on ſome other Perſon; whereupon the King has nominated the Biſhop of Cujavia, M. Zembeck, Primate and Archbiſhop of Gneſna. The King of Spain having ſent his Poliſh Majeſty a Preſent of 20 Horſes of the beſt Breed in that Kingdom, and of ſome Fire Arms of the beſt Sort made there, and a Quantity of Seville Snuff, Don Auguſtino Juſtiniani, Maſter of the Horſe to the Queen of Spain, who came with this Preſent, took Leave of their Majeſties and ſet out to Day on his Return to Madrid.

Bank, 14 December, 1738.

Upon a Repreſentation from His Majeſty's Poſtmaſter-General, *That it is apprehended that the Expectation of finding* Bank Bills *in the Letters, gives Encouragement to the frequent* Robbery of the Mails; The Bank of England, *to contribute what in them lies to put a Stop thereto, and to render their* Bills *of no Significancy or Value to thoſe who are guilty of ſuch flagitious Practices,* do declare, *That for the Benefit and Security of thoſe who have Occaſion to tranſact Money Affairs in the Country, they will from and after*